

GENERAL PARADES

Surrenders at Puerto Gabello After a Desperate Battle.

650 WERE REPORTED KILLED.

The Aspect of the City is One of Ruin and Devastation—Surgeons Ministering to the Wounded.

Gen. Pareades, a former commander in the army of ex-President Andrade, who had refused the demand made upon him by Gen. Cipriano Castro and the de facto authorities to surrender the town, even when this was reinforced by the requests of the British, French, American, German and Dutch commanders, surrendered yesterday morning at 10 o'clock after a terrible battle.

The aspect of the city is one of ruin and devastation, and it is estimated that upwards of 650 persons were killed or wounded during the fighting.

Dr. Bralsted of the United States cruiser Detroit and the other surgeons of the various warships in the harbor are ministering to the wants of the wounded.

Gen. Ramon Guerra began a land attack upon the town and the position of Gen. Pareades on Friday night. Dusk fighting continued until Saturday morning about 4, the fierce struggle ensuing later. Gen. Pareades made a stubborn defense, but Gen. Guerra forced an entrance into the town at 4 o'clock Saturday.

As early as 8 o'clock Sunday morning the fleet arrived and began a bombardment, but the range was too great and the firing proved ineffective.

Gen. Pareades held the fort on the hill and Fort Libertador until Saturday morning.

Flight With Indians.

Flagstaff, Ariz., Nov. 13.—One white and five Navajo Indians killed, two whites and one Navajo wounded, was the result of an attempt of a deputy sheriff to arrest a Navajo Saturday ten miles south of Walnut station, news of which has just reached here.

On Nov. 6 a band of six native Navajos were in Canyon Pedro below Alderson Rim in this county, held up Wm. Montgomery, a cowboy in the employ of Wm. Roden, a cattleman. They accused him of stealing horses and threatened to kill him. He came to Flagstaff and obtained a warrant for their arrest and with Deputy Hogan left to make the arrest.

At Roden's camp they were joined by Wm. Roden and Walter Durham, who went along to show the deputy where the Navajos were camped.

Arriving at the camp the party dismounted, anticipating no trouble. Hogan attempted to execute the warrant and entered a brush corral where four Navajos were when the Indians made a resistance and a shot was fired at Hogan, striking him in the back, he at the same time being in a tussle with one Navajo who was trying to shoot him. Hogan drew his pistol and killed his antagonist.

The fight became general and ended when the ammunition of the white men was exhausted. The result is that five Navajos are dead and one wounded. Montgomery was shot through the heart. Hogan was wounded three times, but not seriously.

Found Dead.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 13.—John Armstrong, son of ex-Police Sergt. Armstrong, a check clerk at Cuyler station, was found dead in the dining-room of his home yesterday. His face was stained with blood, and close to his right hand lay a revolver with an empty shell and four loaded chambers. The man's wound showed that he had been shot through the heart from the rear.

Mrs. Rose Louvier, aged 50, who had been cooking meals and taking care of the rooms occupied by Armstrong, was arrested, together with her husband. The woman stated that Armstrong had been boarding at her house with the consent of her husband for about a year, that he had removed from there because her husband objected to him, and that later he took up his abode three blocks away from her home, with her as his housekeeper, paying her \$2.50 a week for her services. Neighbors heard a shot fired late Saturday night, but paid no attention to it.

Committed Suicide.

Leavenworth, Kan., Nov. 13.—Walter Mitchell, confined in the Leavenworth county jail under indictment for murder, committed suicide yesterday morning by hanging himself from the top of the cell door. He made a rope out of parts of a blanket. The night after Mitchell was brought here serenaders gathered at the jail to congratulate the sheriff on his re-election, and Mitchell thought it was a mob to lynch him. This is supposed to have hastened his suicide.

Main Murdered Captain.

Baltimore, Md., Nov. 13.—Capt. McCarthy of the British steamer Trunkby, which arrived from Santa Cruz, Tenerife, reports that a few days before the arrival at Santa Cruz the Brazilian bark Julianna Schoerer, from Rio Janeiro to Genoa, Italy, put in for provisions. The health authorities asked the master why there were but fifteen persons on board, when the articles named seventeen as leaving Rio Janeiro. The captain said the others had died from yellow fever. When the vessel was released from quarantine and provisioned one of the crew stated to one of the customs guard that the man in charge was not the master of the ship, but the mate, and that the mate had murdered the master and his wife on the voyage.

The authorities sent a boat's crew from a small Spanish man-of-war in the harbor to bring the mate and crew ashore. The mate, who was a Swede, had suspected something and he armed himself with a revolver and defied the whole of the five boat's crews of Spanish man-of-war-men to take him. The sailors fustigated the man and the vessel for five hours, during which time it is said 800 shots were fired.

The mate was killed at last, having been shot several times. During the firing the crew jumped overboard and were rescued by the warship's boats.

In their excitement the Spaniards set fire to the bark, but as soon as they found the Swede dead they extinguished the fire. Before the Trunkby left Santa Cruz the bark was towed up to a berth near the steamer and remained with a crew of man-of-war-men in charge. The bark was held as a pirate, but under protest from the Brazilian consul. The bark had previously hailed from Oporto, Portugal, and the name had been painted out. There is no such name as Julianna Schoerer in Lloyd's register. There is a bark Julia III of Oporto, and it is probable that the murderer has changed the name and claimed Brazil as the vessel's nation.

The matter had not been settled when the Trunkby sailed for Baltimore.

Good Rifle Shooting.

Denver, Col., Nov. 13.—A record of rifle shooting, which it is believed stands unrivaled, was made at the regular meeting of the Denver Rifle club yesterday afternoon. C. M. Ford, the secretary of the club, scored 199 out of a possible 200 on a 500-yard range with the regulation target for that distance. The record was made from forty shots. Ford scored eight bulls' eyes, then put the next shot in the circle immediately outside of the bulls' eyes, following this with thirty-one consecutive bulls' eyes. The latter is the remarkable feature of the record.

A Supposed Robber.

Chicago, Ill., Nov. 13.—The body of a supposed robber who was shot dead Saturday night by Claude B. Giles, a police inspector, was identified yesterday as Frank Doyle, a brother of John Doyle of the firm of Doyle & Co., wealthy contractors. The deceased's mother is said to be well to do, and the hold-up theory is scouted by Doyle's friends, who declare his mother kept him well supplied with funds and that he had no occasion to resort to robbery to secure money. Giles is practically under arrest awaiting an investigation.

The annual chrysanthemum fair has closed at Marshall.

Hobart Some Better.

Paterson, N. J., Nov. 13.—Vice President Hobart passed a favorable Saturday night, and the improvement that has been observed for several days continued yesterday. He ate solid food with relish, and it promptly assimilated. With his meals he took milk, and between meals was given milk punches.

This is a marked change from his condition ten days ago. At that time he was rapidly sinking, and his stomach had refused food of all kinds. For several days he lived on grapes and the juice of grape fruit, but it soon appeared that his stomach was so congested that he could not even take these.

Mr. Hobart now spends most of his time in a reclining position, and he sleeps without the aid of opiates. The most painful and alarming feature of his illness has been his attacks of nervousness as night approaches. These attacks have decreased.

Interstate Commerce Commission.

St. Louis, Mo., Nov. 13.—All is in readiness for the meeting of the interstate commerce commission, which will meet here to-day to consider complaints of discrimination in rates to the Pacific coast in effect on the Southern Pacific and other transcontinental lines. Chairman M. A. Knapp of the commission arrived yesterday from Washington, D. C., as also did former Gov. Jos. W. Fifer of Illinois, the newly appointed member of the commission.

About Public Lands.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 13.—Land Commissioner Hogan yesterday addressed a letter to the governor calling his attention to an indorsed letter bearing date of Aug. 29, addressed to the attorney-general, requesting an opinion concerning the validity of certain alleged Spanish and Mexican land grants or titles, and as to how they should be regarded by the land office, with a view of calculating the amount between the public domain and the public school fund.

A paragraph reads: "My reference to the accompanying letter it will be observed that the amount of land involved comprises 1,138,727 acres. The claims are not now, and never have been, in condition to patent. If it belongs to the state that fact should be determined so that the land commissioner could exercise jurisdiction over it and make it produce a revenue to the state. If it belongs to individuals the fact should also be determined and the land commissioner authorized to issue patents and to cancel all claims subsequently made thereon for school and other purposes and the matter finally set at rest."

He further states that in the absence of the desired opinion he has not classified it as to what fund it belongs.

He also called attention to two patented grants aggregating 21,000 acres, which for some inexplicable reason were patented in December, 1891, although the courts had decided in 1878 that the grants were void. "Both of which have long since been covered by alternate locations and suits should be instituted to cancel the patents last mentioned."

He calls the governor's attention to the importance of this matter at this time, for in the event the school fund is more than 20,000 acres short steps can be instituted to recover.

In the letter which he addressed to the attorney-general Mr. Hogan says that neither the governments of the republic or state of Texas ever denied or affirmed the validity of these supposed grants, which he says at one time aggregated 25,000,000 acres, over which it seems the state never exercised any jurisdiction.

Of the total number, forty-three claims, aggregating 1,138,727 acres, have never been established.

Another paragraph reads: "There is no evidence whatever of their validity on file in the general land office. The presumption is, if there ever was any legal claim in fact as a basis for these supposed grants, the alleged owners would have established their right thereto and procured their patents long since, as contemplated by law."

Complaint About Whistles.

Paris, Tex., Nov. 13.—At a meeting of the city council Monday night a petition signed by nearly every prominent citizen in the southern portion of the city was presented complaining of the noise made by the compress and oil mill whistles, and asking that they be suppressed as a nuisance. The matter was referred to the police committee to wait on the managers and request that the whistles be blown in more moderation.

Club Organized.

Savoy, Tex., Nov. 13.—The young men of Savoy met Monday night for the purpose of organizing a reading and athletic club, to be known as the Savoy club. The following officers were elected: Ira Rogers, president; Robert McMahon, vice president; Ira West, secretary; B. Garrett, treasurer; Will West, guard; Will Merabon, marshal. The meeting adjourned to meet again Tuesday night.

Want a Cotton Mill.

Corsicana, Tex., Nov. 13.—The indications are that before another cotton crop is gathered Corsicana will have a cotton mill that will manufacture a considerable portion of the crop of 1900 into cotton goods. The workers in the Commercial club quietly got together and formulated a plan that they are confident will bring success, and in line with the plan adopted, which will be made public hereafter, a mass meeting has been called to assemble at the city hall at 1:30 p. m. Tuesday, Nov. 28, which every citizen of Navarro county is invited and urged to attend. Special efforts will be made by the club to have a general turn-out from the city, and that there will be a big delegation from the country is already assured. The meeting at which the present plans were adopted was attended by Hon. Geo. T. Jester, Fred Fleming, J. E. Whiteside, Dr. S. W. Johnson, H. L. Seales, A. Templeton, Mayor J. H. Woods, Sam Kerr, S. W. Boye and others, all of whom are enthusiastic cotton mill advocates.

Have No Jail.

Denison, Tex., Nov. 13.—The local officers are virtually out of business on account of a lack of a jail. The city authorities have issued positive instructions to the city jailer to admit no county prisoners. The county jail at Sherman excludes them, and the officers have no way to take care of prisoners when arrested. The county commissioners refuse to allow the officers any money with which to procure guards, and there you are.

Messenger Concannon's Statement.

Denison, Tex., Nov. 13.—The following letter has been received at Denison from Express Messenger W. S. Concannon, who is now in the Bedalia hospital:

"My father informs me that many different stories have been printed and told as to what I know about the robbery and assault that was committed upon myself on the evening of Oct. 31. I wish to say it is my father's desire, as my own, to have the exact facts published in the Denison Herald, a Sherman paper, also the Dallas News, as to just what I do know and all that I know. This is the substance of my story:

"When the train stopped at Armstrong avenue I heard some one talking out on the front steps, but as men and boys frequently jump on at this avenue and ride to the depot, I paid but little if any attention to their voices. Between this avenue and the viaduct Mr. Romer, our conductor, came in and said:

"Here's some mail, Con. Guess I'll bid you good night."

"I asked: 'Won't you be with us tomorrow, Mr. Romer?'"

"He replied, 'No.'"

"I said: 'Well, I hope to see you soon again,' and bade him good night. Mr. Romer then leaving the car, going into the coach."

"I tied up my railroad mail and then proceeded to take my haversack out of the safe, as I was always in the habit of doing just at this point, which was not very far from either side of the viaduct. I always made this a habit, so as to have everything in readiness when I reached the depot. Just as I was stooping over to reach my run, which was in my haversack, out of the safe, the front door opened and before I could raise up a heavy blow was struck, which landed just a little above my left temple. This knocked me partially unconscious, but still I could hear what the robbers and would-be murderers were saying.

"The first thing they said, one told the other to 'hold the middle door, d—n the front door. Be quick, be quick, and catch the hind end and ride into the coach."

"By this time I had begun to stir a little and did not know enough to keep quiet, but spoke out and told them I wanted to see my folks before I died."

"One of them said: 'To h—l with your folks.'"

"At this time I suppose I tried to spring to my feet and resent this remark, when I received another lick on the back of my head."

"Hit him again," was another reply, when one of them remarked: 'We don't want to kill him; Con is a good friend of ours.'"

"After hearing this it seems I remembered very distinctly about dying, but of my great joy I was mistaken, and was only dead to the world for four or five days. Further, I will state as to my knowing or even having the least idea as to who committed this deed I cannot and never will be able to state, for I did not see them, although I could hear them. I am at this date improving nicely, and unless by a backset will be able to be with my friends again soon, but hardly think I will be able to return to my labors for several weeks. I am so very grateful to my Maker that I am living, to say the very least. I feel really good about it."

W. S. CONCANNON.

Six carloads of fat cattle were shipped from Ennis a few days ago to St. Louis.

Want to Compromise.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 14.—Judge Marsden C. Burch of Grand Rapids, Mich., special counsel in the department of justice, is here en route to the City of Mexico to endeavor to compromise Mexico's claim against this government for \$20,000,000 on account of the tapping of the Rio Grande in Colorado and New Mexico for irrigation purposes, to the detriment of the residents of the valley in the vicinity of El Paso. Judge Burch will represent this government Dec. 12 at Las Cruces, N. M., when an effort will be made to determine whether or not damming the river above this point will interfere with navigation on the lower river. If it is decided that the river is navigable the English syndicate known as the Elephant Butte Dam company will not be permitted to build its dam and an international dam and reservoir will be built by the government.

W. A. Lisk was badly hurt in a runaway near Itasca recently.

Smallpox Situation.

Austin, Tex., Nov. 14.—State Health Officer Blunt and Special Inspector Spring returned yesterday from Wharton, Goliad and surrounding territory, where they have been on a tour of investigation into the small-pox conditions, which were causing much uneasiness in that section. All necessary precautions have been taken to prevent the further spread of the disease, and the situation is now under control.

State Baptist Convention.

Dallas, Tex., Nov. 11.—At 10:05 o'clock yesterday President R. C. Buckner appeared on the platform, and with him were Dr. R. M. Seymour of Philadelphia, one of the Bible secretaries of the American Bible society; Dr. J. B. Gambrell, the superintendent of missions; Dr. B. H. Carroll, secretary of the educational commission; Dr. J. M. Robertson, one of the vice-presidents of the convention; Dr. A. J. Barton of the foreign mission board at Richmond, Va., and Secretary A. E. Bates, one of the scribes of the present convention. The other secretary of the convention, Rev. J. L. Truett, of Whitewright, remained near the door of the hall to furnish cards of admission and enroll the messengers as they came in.

When these had been seated on the platform, President Buckner rapped sharply on the table and silence was at once accorded to the officer of the convention. He called for the Rev. A. F. Bunting and requested that divine to conduct a short devotional exercise, pending the opening of the business session. This done, Dr. Buckner advanced to the front of the platform and made a short speech.

It was 10:27 when he announced that it would be in order to proceed with the business of the convention.

He did not wait long for Dr. J. M. Robertson immediately got the ear of the chairman and said:

"Brother President, I move you, sir, the appointment of a committee of nine on credentials, the president to appoint the committee."

"Second the motion," came simultaneously from a dozen voices from as many directions.

Dr. Buckner declined to put the motion for the reason that its terms imposed upon him the selection of the committee, and he felt a delicacy in putting the motion himself.

Thereupon Dr. Robertson put the motion in the president's place and declared the affirmative to have carried.

The result being announced, President Buckner said that he had hoped that this duty would not be put upon him, but that on the contrary some other means of selecting the committee on credentials would have been adopted. However, since the convention had elected to charge him with the responsibility he would be compelled to ask for a little time to consider the matter. It was an important part of the business of the convention, this selection of the committee on credentials, and it ought not to be gone about hastily.

Vice-President J. M. Robertson then assumed the chair and Dr. Buckner retired to get a list of the messengers from which to select nine.

On assuming the chair Dr. Robertson said he knew of no better time for the brethren of the state and the brethren of Dallas to say their "howdys" than the interval while the president of the convention was making out the list of the credentials committee. He therefore thought it an opportune time for hearing the address of welcome, and called for Rev. Geo. W. Truett, D. D., pastor of the First Baptist church of Dallas, who delivered the annual address of welcome.

Dr. Buckner then read as the committee he had selected the following names: D. Y. Bagby of Narcoosa, G. W. Goodie of Farmers Branch, F. M. McConnell of Weatherford, J. H. Bowers of Jefferson, J. D. Carter of Marshall, W. S. Spilawn of Gainesville, A. J. Harris of San Antonio, E. S. Haynes of Pilot Point and J. B. Riddle of Dallas.

The committee then retired to its room and began preparations for the work of enrolling the delegates upon an examination of their credentials.

Dr. A. J. Barton, assistant secretary of the foreign mission board of the southern Baptist convention, and Rev. R. M. Seymour, Bible secretary of the American Baptist Publication society, of Philadelphia were then introduced to the convention, and made short addresses to the body.

Mammoth Longhorn Steer.

San Antonio, Tex., Nov. 11.—Capt. J. M. Dahles' mammoth longhorn steer, which was shown at the San Antonio International fair, is going to the Paris world's exposition. This remarkable specimen of the longhorn tribe, which is declared to be the finest specimen of the oldtime Texas cattle, was calved in 1891 near the Mexican border. The steer has a monstrous pair of horns that measure from tip to tip 9 feet and 7 inches. The animal weighs 1700 pounds, and has been feeding on cactus, mesquite beans and grass, as these varieties of provender chance to predominate on the range. The steer will be in charge of Mr. George McHardy, the assistant stock superintendent of the San Antonio International fair. Mr. McHardy will also exhibit at the Paris exposition the smallest mule in the world, also reared on a Texas ranch. This mule is 5 years old and is thirty inches in height. The exhibits are to be shipped from San Antonio in the course of a few days.

Seriously Hurt.

Corsicana, Tex., Nov. 11.—George Baugh, a woodchopper, was seriously injured yesterday morning in Chambers creek bottom, where he was at work cutting cord wood. He felled a large hackberry tree, but failed to get out of reach of it as it fell and was caught in the tree top, one of his arms being broken and his body badly bruised in many places. His injuries are very severe, but not necessarily fatal.

Missourians and Georgians.

Houston, Tex., Nov. 13.—Saturday night there was a meeting of the Association of Georgians at the Capitol hotel. They named the following board of directors: R. M. Johnston, D. D. Peden, Sr.; W. H. Lloyd, C. B. Martin, B. R. Warner, Oliver Cranton and Edgar Watkins. They decided to admit to membership ex-Georgians living in any part of this state, through which plan they expect to make it a state-wide association and the largest of its kind in Texas. Applications for membership will be the same as those of local eligibles.

At a meeting of the ex-Missourians there was a large attendance. A permanent organization was effected with the following officers installed: E. R. Spotts, president; H. C. Burris, secretary and treasurer. The following committees were appointed:

On rules, by-laws and regulations—S. T. Swinford, H. R. Mitchell, T. O. Chinn.

Committee on arrangements—Dr. J. B. Massie, T. R. Spotts, D. Y. Vandyne.

These committees are to report to an adjourned meeting to be held Thursday, Nov. 15, at the office of E. R. Spotts.

At the Thursday evening meeting steps will be taken to define the character of the programme to be carried out on Missouri day during the festival. Ex-Gov. W. J. Stone having been invited to speak here it is not likely that the society of ex-Missourians will invite any other speaker from Missouri.

A Child Shot.

Marlin, Tex., Nov. 13.—Ernest Ewert, a German farmer, was lodged in jail here Friday night charged with the shooting and perhaps mortally wounding his own child, a boy baby, about 1½ years old.

Ewert and his wife have been divorced for about one year. The court in granting the divorce gave the child to the mother and granted the father privilege of seeing it once each week. Ewert went to the house of the child's mother, about two miles northwest of Marlin, and asked that he be permitted to take possession of the child. The mother and her brother, Emil Newman, prevented Ewert from taking the child. The little one was shot while standing near his mother. The ball entered one inch to the left of the navel and came out at the under part of the left thigh. The wound is regarded as very dangerous. Dr. T. H. Hairston of this city happened to be bird hunting near the house when the affair occurred. He heard the shot and the woman screaming. Hurrying to the place he found the father and brother of the woman holding Ewert on a cot. Dr. Hairston gave the necessary attention to the child, and then, with the other two men, brought Ewert over to the officers.

Ewert was a bar clerk in Marlin for some time and is well known here. For the past year he has been farming near Perry, a station between Marlin and Waco.

An examining trial will not be had until there are further developments as to the child's wound.

Ewert talked freely about the matter and did not hesitate to give particulars.

The Ministers' association of El Paso at a late meeting has petitioned congress to "expel Brigham H. Roberts, congressman-elect from Utah, and to submit a constitutional amendment disqualifying polygamists from holding public office under the United States government."

Old Soldier Dead.

Seguin, Tex., Nov. 13.—Mr. Henry Terrell died at his home suddenly Thursday night at 10:30 o'clock. Mr. Terrell up to a few days ago enjoyed good health. A few days ago he had a spell of heart failure, but apparently recovered his usual health and had resumed his duties. He retired to bed and at 10:30 his wife found him dead at her side, passing away quietly and peacefully. The deceased was a gallant Confederate soldier throughout the war, a member of Terry's Texas rangers, and was a participant in seventy-five battles during the war. Mr. Terrell was one of the leading merchants of Seguin for years, and was recognized as a man of mature character and distinguished worth. He was a faithful member of the Methodist Episcopal church, South. He died at the age of 55 years.

A great many immigrants continue to pass through Denison.

Seriously Hurt.

Corsicana, Tex., Nov. 13.—About 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon Willie, the 13-year-old son of Mr. Hawn Falk, while playing on the awning in front of the telephone exchange, fell to the ground, a distance of about eighteen feet, and was badly injured. No bones were broken, but the force of the fall, the boy striking on the paved street, was so great that he was rendered unconscious, and it was found there had been injuries of an internal nature sustained.